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Cuba, India, Iran (Islamic Republic of) and Pakistan: amendments to draft resolution A/C.1/50/L.14

Status of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons and on Their Destruction

1. Replace preambular paragraph 6 with the following:

Noting the information provided by the Executive Secretary of the Preparatory Commission to the General Assembly at its forty-eighth, forty-ninth and fiftieth sessions,

2. Add new preambular paragraphs 7 and 8 as follows:

Aware of difficulties in producing a timetable for the implementation of the Convention as the two largest declared possessors of the chemical weapons have not yet ratified the Convention and that a number of issues remain unresolved,

Reiterating that economic and technological development of States parties shall not be hampered and that restrictions, including those in any international agreement, shall not be maintained among the States parties,

3. Replace operative paragraph 1 with the following:

1. Notes the work done so far by the Preparatory Commission for the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons in preparation for the entry into force and effective implementation of the Convention on the

Prohibition of the Development, Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons and on Their Destruction, and urges the early completion of this work;

4. Add a new operative paragraph 3 as follows:

3. Urges all signatories to participate fully in the work of the Preparatory Commission and to intensify their efforts to resolve outstanding issues, in particular that of removal of existing restrictions in the economic and technological areas.